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Uncle Jack and the Forest Fire

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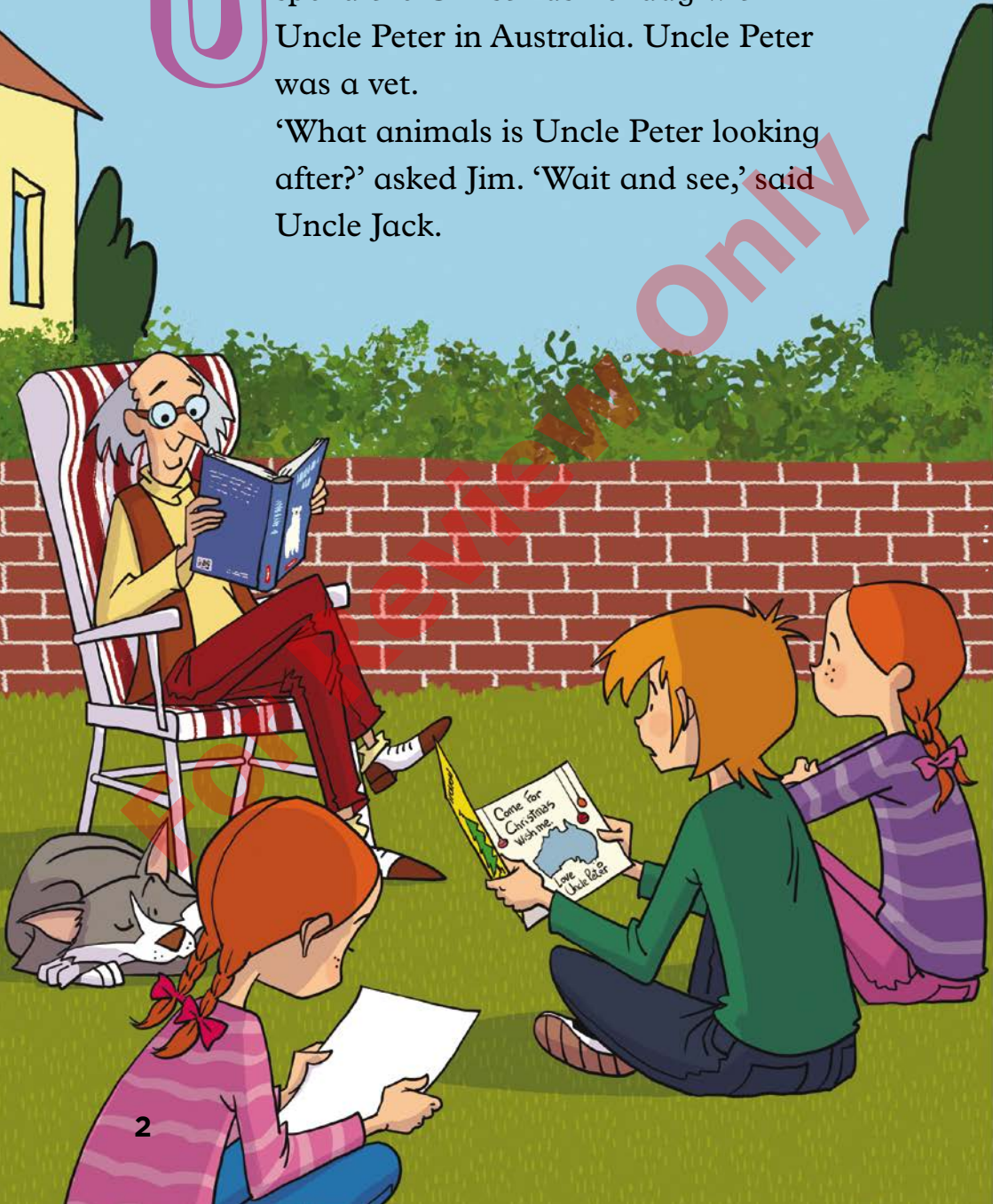


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ncle Jack, Jim, and the twins went to spend the Christmas holiday with Uncle Peter in Australia. Uncle Peter was a vet.

‘What animals is Uncle Peter looking after?’ asked Jim. ‘Wait and see,’ said Uncle Jack.



At Christmas, it's hot in Australia, so they took T-shirts, shorts and swimsuits. Grumpy the dog took his favourite toy too.





- 3 It was cold up in the sky and they wore warm sweaters, coats, hats, and scarves. They flew over cities, lakes, mountains and forests, and they flew over the sea and saw islands, sharks, dolphins and whales.



‘Where does Uncle Peter live in Australia?’ asked Jim.

‘He lives in New South Wales,’ said Uncle Jack.
Jim looked at a map.



- 4 Finally, they were in Australia. The children waved to Uncle Peter. 'Oh look!' said Jim. 'Koalas!' 'Hooray!' shouted Daisy. 'Koalas are my favourite animal!' 'Uncle Peter has got a koala hospital,' said Uncle Jack. 'He looks after koalas that are sick or have a broken leg.' 'Grrr,' said Grumpy the dog. He didn't like animals.



The children were very happy to see Uncle Peter. He was Uncle Jack's brother, but he looked very different! Uncle Jack was tall and thin with grey hair. He wore glasses on his long nose. Uncle Peter was short and fat with blond hair, a big beard, and a moustache. He had a big smile too!

Activity Pages

1 Write the odd one out.

1 Jim - Daisy - May - Uncle Peter

Uncle Peter

2 Uncle Jack - kangaroo - bee - snake

3 shark - spider - whale - dolphin

4 sea - river - forest - lake

5 moustache - leg - beard - nose

2 Finish what the people say. Write their names.

'Welcome to _____!'

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'It's a BIG _____!'

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'Koalas are my _____ animal!'

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'Can we _____ them?'

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